

## Spafford's

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Sat. Nov. 19

On this date we will have with us a representative of one of the largest fur manufacturers in this country. Our aim, as in the past, will be to show nothing but the best of styles and qualities, never forgetting the important part that price plays. If contemplating the purchase of a fur of any description it will pay you to compare this line with any other you may have seen this season. Remember the sale

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## OVERCOATS

The Largest and Best assortment in Grand Rapids.

\$3.00 to \$25.00.

Those of our politically inclined neighbors who feel that they are out in the cold, will do well to call around within the next few days

and allow us to fit them to a

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FUR AND FUR LINED OVERCOATS

Reefer Jackers and Sweaters

On these lines our stock and price is unsurpassed

Yours Anxious to Please.

## Johnson & Hill Company.

### REPORT OF DELINQUENTS.

The American Merchants' Protective Agency Makes Its First Report.

"Who didn't pay up?" That is a question the merchants and professional men of this city are asking as they look over the list of delinquents made out by the local managers of the American Merchants' Protective Agency. Every member of the Agency received the first report a few days ago, and it aroused much interest and comment in business circles.

The Agency was organized only a month by F. A. Rader, the state president, but its effects are already noticeable. An organization of that kind is needed in every city. The Agency is what its name implies—an association to protect the merchants. Offices are maintained in all the principal cities of the state. The local office is in charge of Bauman & Davis, attorneys in the Wood block. The Association is a co-operative rating and collection agency. Every buyer in the city and surrounding country is rated according to his record in paying his bills. All members have access to these ratings and can thus avoid many a bad customer. Collections are given to the Agency and at the end of each month a list of claims unpaid is sent to each member. In making out these lists the managers give the debtor an opportunity to pay up or make arrangements to do so. They aim to treat debtors fairly, but they insist that the bills be paid.

A study of the list is interesting. It is not generally known to what extent some men and society people get credit, and then fail to pay up. It has been said that all the world loves an honest man, and it naturally follows that all the world hates a dead beat.

Business men say that the sending out of the list had a good effect. Many persons who have been careless will see to it that their names will no longer appear on such a list. These have already paid up. Many a business man fails because of a bad account on his books. Any effort which tends to make a man meet his obligations should receive the support of every business man.

### First Round.

The county normal students of this year with the students and graduates of last year held their first reunion and banquet at the noon hour Saturday, after the morning session of the Wood County Teachers' association. Besides the good things to eat, reminiscences and story-telling were the order, the stories being largely true ones drawn from the experience of those who are teaching their first schools.

After dinner the old songs were sung and plans were laid for similar occasions in the future.

### Normal School Notes.

Miss Strick and Miss Kruger did substitute work in the Fifth grade last Friday.

Reunion of classes was a grand success.

The students of our school presented Mr. Jackson with a fine framed picture for the office, Friday.

Miss Clonett, '04, visited us Monday. We are always glad to see former students.

This school is only a little over a year old and yet we have a representation of about thirty graduates and teachers in the county. Our reunion will be larger every year.

### Slayton Jubilee Singers.

The Slayton Jubilee Singers, the second in the course of entertainments by the Lyceum bureau, will be at the opera house this evening. This is a collection of colored singers which are said to be without parallel in the country, and music lovers should make it a point to be present.

### Building Association Booming.

The Grand Rapids Building and Loan Association gives promise of becoming a great success. During the first week of its existence there was something over \$30,000 worth of stock taken out in the concern, and more subscribers are coming to the front right along. There is no question but what a properly conducted building and loan association is a good thing for a town and a good thing for those who go into a concern of this sort. It means a home for many a family who otherwise never would have one, and it is a safe investment for others who do not care to build a house, have a small amount of money which they would like to put away each month. There is no question but what the Grand Rapids association will be a great success from the way it has started out.

### The December Smart Set.

The feature of the December Smart Set is undoubtedly the novelette, "Chattering and His Daughter," a story of Washington life, by a new author, Foxcroft Davis, whose meteoric entrance into the field of fiction is likely to be the sensation of the season. Totally unknown, this writer's first manuscript was not only accepted on sight by one of the most conservative publishing houses in America, but two new books were contracted for to form a series of three, all on the national politics and society centering at Washington. Meanwhile The Smart Set has secured the name of Foxcroft Davis—a story of a remarkable man and a remarkable woman in the interesting setting of life at the nation's capital, which no author has yet known so intimately and vitally. The appearance of this story is an event.

### Visited Grand Rapids.

Stevens Point Journal.—Twelve ladies representing the Woman's Relief Corps of this city went to Grand Rapids at 9:15 Thursday morning and returned at 3:45 Friday afternoon. While there they were guests of the Relief Corps of that city and at the official session of that body, the ladies from this city exemplified the initiation ceremony. On Thursday they were entertained at dinner and supper in the lodge hall but during the remainder of the time they were guests at private homes. Those who went were Mesdames E. E. Merryfield, W. B. Shepard, O. W. Sutton, A. B. Dwinell, M. C. Welby, F. M. Playman, Jessie Hammett, Nellie Wark, G. W. Miller, B. W. Gee, Mary Young and A. Engleberger.

### Excursion to Marshfield.

On Saturday evening the victorious county officers and their friends chartered a train and went to Marshfield. Of course the object of the thing was to hold a little jollification up the line, and if they succeeded in rubbing it into the salivary gland in that part of the country at the same time, there would be no harm done. About eighty took advantage of the special train, and those who went up report a good time. There were speeches at the opera house, after which there was dancing, which was kept up until nearly midnight.

### Meat Market Change.

On Monday Joseph Rick sold his interest in the Pavlick & Rick company to James Case, who takes charge of his interest almost immediately. Mr. Rick, who is troubled considerably with rheumatism, has found the active life connected with business of the market rather too strenuous, and as a consequence he expects to take a rest before engaging in anything else.

Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Mary Simpson—"Everything disagreed with me and baby until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Now baby sleeps and grooves like a weed." 35 cents. Tea or tablet form. Johnson & Hill Co.

### COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

Spent Pleasant and Instructive Day in This City.

County teachers and city teachers met together Saturday in Grand Rapids to take part in discussions and to listen to papers on pedagogical subjects.

In no profession or trade are there more meetings of those engaged than in the teaching profession. A Northwestern Wisconsin association just closed sessions at Eau Claire where eight hundred were enrolled. The Northernmost, with a very large attendance, met a week earlier at Sheboygan and last week the Southern association met at Baraboo. The State association is already advertised for the holiday week in Milwaukee, and county associations are in progress all over the state.

These meetings with the summer institutes do not allow the live teacher to become a back number. Wood county turned out an excellent representation of live teaching forces Saturday and judging by the expressions of satisfaction by those who attended they received their money's worth.

The lecture by Mr. Gillan was pronounced first class as were the papers by Miss Lydia Loeppig on "Special Day Programs," Miss Jennie McGrath on "Primary Reading," Miss Sadie Hoffman on "Geography Teaching" and Miss Kathleen McKewen on "Busy Work."

Supt. Lester Morris talked to the teachers on the subject "Country School Problems" in which he compared a good school with a poor one.

The class exercises for illustration of methods conducted by Miss Briere, Miss McGrath, Miss Walke and Miss Larkin of the Grand Rapids city schools under the direction of Supt. Youker were especially helpful as was the High School conference under the leadership of Supt. J. B. Borden of Marshfield.

Messrs. Frank Natwick and Deau Brundage furnished violin and piano music for the occasion. At the business session following the program Supt. H. S. Youker of this city was elected president, Miss Lawlor of Pittsville Vice President, and Miss Loeppig of Marshfield Secretary.

### Death of E. A. Hartman.

Edward A. Hartman, who had been suffering from typhoid fever for two weeks, died on Saturday morning at six o'clock. The remains were shipped the same day to Oconomowoc, where his mother resides. His brother, who had been called here the several days before, accompanied the body home.

Mr. Hartman had been the agent for the United States express company here for the past two years, and during that time he had made many friends who were truly sorry to hear of his untimely demise. He was in rather poor health during all the time that he lived here and for this reason did not get out much among the young people. He was a member of the local lodge of Elks and by his death this organization has lost one of its most beloved members.

### Dissolution Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing under the name of Pavlick & Rick has been dissolved, and all persons owing them accounts are therefore notified to call and settle within the next thirty days. All persons having bills against the firm will please present same for payment.

Pavlick & Rick.

### Oyster Supper.

The Riverside Hotel, lodge No. 12 will give an oyster supper at the G. A. R. hall on Thursday, Nov. 17th. Baked beans, sandwiches, pickles, olives, cake and coffee will be served. Adults 25 cents, children 15 cents. Supper will be served from 5 o'clock on.

### Counting the Votes.

County Clerk E. S. Renne, Registrar of Deeds E. A. Upham and Edward Lynch were busy for several days making an official count of the votes at the court house, and finished their labors on Monday. The outcome is published in table form.

### Wisconsin Central Railway.

Thanksgiving holiday excursion via Wisconsin Central Ry., Nov. 24, 1904. One and one third fare for round trip to points within a radius of two hundred (200) miles. Tickets on sale Nov. 22nd and 24th. Return limit to and including Nov. 28th 1904.

Excursion fares to International Live Stock Exposition Chicago via Wisconsin Central Ry. One fare plus \$2.00 for round trip. Tickets on sale Nov. 27th to 30th inclusive. Return limit to and including Dec. 6, 1904.

### Thanksgiving Dance.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 24th, the members of the Grand Rapids band will give a dance at the opera house. The boys have been rehearsing a lot of new music and they expect to give the people a good time for their money. Tickets to dance will be \$1.00, with a charge of 25 cents for spectators.

Thanksgiving Excursion Rates. Nov. 23 and 24 the St. Paul Ry. will sell round trip excursion rates to points within 200 miles at one and one-third fare for the round trip return limit Nov. 28th.

### Seventy Years Old.

Wonderful cure by Gloria, Tonic. Mr. Abr. G. Groff of Petersburg, Pa., writes: "I am 75 years old and am entirely cured of rheumatism through that marvelous remedy, Gloria, Tonic. I am entirely free from pain." Sold by Daly Drug & Jewelry Co.

### An Eye to Thanksgiving.

Last year there was a distressing shortage of turkeys and, as if in mockery, an overabundance of cranberries, these being the twin indispensables for a typical Thanksgiving dinner. So scarce, in fact, were gobbling turkeys that many were reduced to the humiliation of putting up with tame hens or other substitutes for the lovely turkey without which there can be no real Thanksgiving dinner of the genuine New England style. This year, strange to say, the conditions are exactly reversed. There are abundance of turkeys, but a lamentable lack of cranberries. Doledful tales come from Michigan, New England and other sections famous for the succulent and high-flavored berry so indispensable for family feasts of the old-fashioned style. Of course there will be a good many, but it is feared there will not be enough to go around. Still, it is hoped that all fortunate enough to get hold of a fine, fat turkey may not be inconsolable because of a lack of so suitable a seasoner as the juicy cranberry.

### A Needed Reform.

Now that the campaign is over and the different candidates have sobered up, they have been doing some thinking. It has become apparent to all who were engaged in this campaign that there was a whole lot of money spent during the time that was entirely unnecessary. It may be necessary for a candidate to make more or less of a good follow of himself while running for office, and it might be possible that if only one out of the bunch did this it would have some influence on the number of votes he received, but when the whole lot is tearing about thru the county, distributing beer and cigars, it must be a cinch that nobody is benefited except the fellow who gets the refreshments, and it is doubtful if he is benefited enough so that it would be noticeable to one on the outside. If a man goes out and puts in a month distributing beer and then succeeds in getting an office from the fact that he has bought the votes with beer, he must feel rather like a cheap guy. If he buys barrels of beer and is not elected he is still rather cheap, so that one cannot see where there is anything to brag about either way. There are few of the county officers where the compensation is great enough to justify a candidate in spending two or three hundred dollars in the attempt to get one, and still it has become the custom to blow in about this amount of money every two years for this purpose. One would think that the different candidates would get together for mutual protection. It is an age of troops; why not have a candidate's trust. One that a man goes into to protect himself from his own foolishness. Our great campaign orators have just got thru telling us that this is an age of reason; that the voter can no longer be bought by a few glasses of beer or a poor cigar. That the voter now reads and makes up his mind for himself. And there is more truth in this poetry in the assertion, too. It is doubtful if there was one vote bought with beer during the campaign just passed, and as a consequence the greater part of the two or three thousand dollars spent in this manner was wasted. People deplore the dirtiness of politics, but who ever heard of one of these same fellows refusing a favor from a politician.

### Received a Patent.

E. Roenius has received a patent on his wood and coal chute, and the contrivance is becoming quite famous throughout the country. There was a wood and coal chute in existence before Mr. Roenius got up his chute but the original contrivance was made of cast iron and weighed so much that it was all one of them was worth to ship it any distance. The Roenius chute is made of steel and has been perfected by the addition of a locking device on both ends, rendering it both cold and burglar proof. Wherever the chutes have been introduced they have been received with great favor and so many orders come in for them that their manufacture occupies the attention of a part of the force at the plant of the Grand Rapids Foundry company all the time.

### Out-Miller.

William Miller of Rosburg and Miss Anna Miller of this city were united in matrimony on Tuesday, Nov. 15 at the German Lutheran church on the west side, Rev. Baum, pastor of the church, performing the ceremony. After the ceremony the wedding party went to the home of the bride's parents in Sigel where dinner was served and the friends of both parties were entertained in a royal manner. Both the young people are well and favorably known here, Mr. Ost having formerly been in business here, while Miss Miller was a domestic in the home of Mrs. E. B. Rossier during the past ten years or more, and the young couple have the best wishes of all for their future happiness. They left today for Rosburg where they will make their future home.

### Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Pleasant to Take.

The finest quality of granulated loaf sugar is used in the manufacture of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and the roots used in its preparation give it a flavor similar to maple syrup, making it quite pleasant to take. Mr. W. L. Roderick, of Fosterville, Md., in speaking of this remedy, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy with my children for several years and can truthfully say it is the best preparation of the kind I know of. The children like to take it, and it has no injurious aftereffect. Otto's Pharmacy."

### PICKLE BUSINESS BOOMING.

Receipts of Former Years Greatly Exceeded by this Year's Output.

A gang of workmen are now busily engaged at the pickle salting station of Albert & McGintie near the Green Bay depot in sorting and packing the season's crop to be shipped to Green Bay. The receipts at the station this year were something like \$5,000 bushels, or considerably more than the capacity of the plant. As a consequence some of the tanks were emptied early in the season and the contents shipped, after which they were filled again. Not only was the capacity of the plant taxed to its utmost, but a large number of the pickles from the neighboring towns of Amherst and Glover were shipped direct to Green Bay without passing thru the local station.

G. W. Wood has charge of the station in this city and he has proven himself peculiarly adapted to the business. During the past season there have been some six hundred acres of ground planted to cucumbers in this locality, and it is his opinion that with proper management this amount can be increased. The past season has been a fairly good one in spite of several frosts that visited this section during the growing season, and some of those who were engaged in the industry have taken as high as \$150 worth of cucumbers from one acre of ground. This is pretty good money to be made from a patch of ground this size, but of course it takes careful cultivation and strict attention to business to accomplish these results.

Mr. Wood is of the opinion that it would pay his company to locate a processing plant at Grand Rapids. To begin with the receipts of cucumbers are steadily increasing until they have reached a pretty good aggregate, and as the city is centrally located with unexcelled shipping facilities, it would mean a considerable saving to the company. There is no question but what a processing plant would prove of benefit to the city, as it would mean the employment of a number of men, the year around and would distribute considerable more money in this section. It might also mean a branching out into other parts of the preserving industry, and enable many small tracts of land in this locality to be profitably employed.

### HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The following program was given by the Seniors last Thursday morning: Control of the Kansas River Floods—Eva Helmer.

Lychnis in the South—Caroline Garrison.

Financial Conditions in Japan—Reuben Swenson.

The Physics class are taking up the study of the Mechanics of Fluids.

On account of next Thursday being Thanksgiving, the examinations will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

The following program was rendered Monday afternoon by the "Laurel."

Musio Solo—Ruth Natwick. Recitation—Mildred MacKinnon. Recitation—Jennie Jackson. Recitation—Pearl Humphrey. Musio—Genevieve Garden.

Friday night at 7:30 the "Laurel" will hold an open meeting for the members of the school and the teachers.

—For Sale or Rent, my residence on the corner of Oak and Milwaukee streets, also winter stock of first class dry hard maple stove wood. E. A. Upham.

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Issue today, an election campaign, was shot by Deputy Sheriff Wolford at Goldfield, Cal., in death.

The plant of the Watson Sullivan Manufacturing company at Albion, N. J., was burned, causing a loss estimated at \$85,000.

Cross Unger, for twenty-five years connected with the custom-house in San Francisco, has been arrested on a charge of embezzlement.

Because her husband had reproved her Mrs. Katherine Green committed suicide in Brooklyn, N. Y. The husband dangerously shot himself.

The steamer Minner, owned by the Panama Railroad company, from Colon to New York, was brought into Savannah, Ga., with rudder gone.

Wells-Grove officials say the report of the theft of an express package containing \$1,500 shipped from Chihuahua to Mexico City was erroneous.

Premier Cambon, in the name of the president of France, presented to the chamber of deputies the bill for the separation of the church and state.

Bids for the erection of the new Agricultural Department buildings were opened in Washington and ranged from \$1,225,000 to \$1,400,000.

The United States monitor Wyoming can submerge at Point White, Port Orchard, Nacoma, near the Puget Sound navy yard in a thick fog and will have to go into drydock for repairs.

All the associations controlling the prices of steel are to meet in New York next Tuesday and revise the whole list of prices to suit the new conditions in the iron and steel market.

The general missionary committee of the Methodist Episcopal church voted in Boston to appropriate \$1,225,000 for missionary work during the coming year, \$701,500 to go to the foreign field and \$523,500 for domestic work.

Charles M. Schwab, according to reports in New York, intends to sell several shipbuilding yards which he has found to be unproductive, and will hereafter give more attention to the manufacture of guns and armor at the Bethlehem steel plant.

Arguments were concluded in Philadelphia in the Northern Securities case on the appeal from the injunction granted by the United States district court of New Jersey restraining the distribution of the stock. The court took the case under advisement.

The Spanish-American war museum at the exposition grounds in St. Louis decided to erect a \$1,000 monument in the Arlington National cemetery, near Washington, D. C.

The cash receipts of the General Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal church for the year ending on Oct. 31 were \$1,225,000, an increase of \$1,000, according to a report made to the annual meeting in Boston.

Baron von Sternburg, the German ambassador, has completed the details of the program for the official entertainment of the special commissioners who will represent the United States at the unveiling in Washington on Nov. 12 of the statue of Frederick the Great, the gift of Emperor William to the American people.

According to the annual report, just made public, 12,058,548 pounds of mail was dispatched by sea to foreign countries by the United States, an increase of 10 per cent.

Statistical collected by the National Board of Trade were also given, showing that the United States ranks first among all nations in nearly every phase of the postal service.

Miss Anna S. Poole, the mountain climber, who arrived in Panama recently from Bolivia, has sailed for New York.

The Japanese ambassador, cousin of the emperor of Japan, who comes to pay a special visit to the president of the United States, has arrived in San Francisco on the liner Manchuria.

Capt. T. S. Baldwin, inventor, and E. J. Carpenter, owner, of "California Arrow," now in St. Louis, have decided to challenge Santos Dumont to an international airship race.

In the bribery trial of former Mayor George Perry in Grand Rapids, Mich., the defense announced that it will attempt to show that the original water deal was an attempt to defraud H. A. Taylor, a New York millionaire.

Shore railroad officials at Cleveland, O., have placed an order for 7,000 steel ties to be used as an experiment. Part of the order will be given to the New York Central for use on that road. If the results are satisfactory it will be a more general use of the steel ties will be made along the entire system of the Vanderbilt roads.

Boys on Willow Island, above Niagara Falls, rescued Miss Carrie Wahl from drowning after she had thrown herself into the river in an attempt at suicide.

Mayor Hoff of Kansas City, Mo., announced that he would request the federal elected Republican prosecutor to insist upon a grand jury to investigate the records of county officers regarding the letting of certain contracts, alleging irregularities by officials.

Foreign Minister Lagerheim of Sweden has resigned.

The competing architects have been ordered to revise their plans for the construction of a hospital at the naval academy, so as to bring the cost within the amount available.

The general board of the navy desires an appropriation of \$41,300,000 for additional warships.

News was received in New York that Gen. Rafael Reyes, the new president of Colombia, had appointed Enrrique Cortes minister to the United States.

The suit of Mrs. Elizabeth T. Greenough against H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil company for \$50,000, 000 damages, which was dismissed by agreement last month, was re-entered Monday in the supreme court at Boston.

E. E. Garney of New York city will be awarded the contract for painting the mural decorations in the Iowa state capitol.

The October statement of the London board of trade shows an increase of \$8,798,000 in imports and a decrease of \$2,957,500 in exports.

The Lehigh ship has made successful maneuvers at Moisson, France. The Sino-American Falls Power company of Tacoma, Wash., organized by the late W. T. Baker of Chicago, has been reorganized by western capitalists with a capital of \$3,600,000.

LATEST CASH MARKET REPORTS

Chicago Produce.

Butter, Creamery, extra, 24; butts, 29; 25; 26; 27; 28; 29; 30; 31; 32; 33; 34; 35; 36; 37; 38; 39; 40; 41; 42; 43; 44; 45; 46; 47; 48; 49; 50; 51; 52; 53; 54; 55; 56; 57; 58; 59; 60; 61; 62; 63; 64; 65; 66; 67; 68; 69; 70; 71; 72; 73; 74; 75; 76; 77; 78; 79; 80; 81; 82; 83; 84; 85; 86; 87; 88; 89; 90; 91; 92; 93; 94; 95; 96; 97; 98; 99; 100; 101; 102; 103; 104; 105; 106; 107; 108; 109; 110; 111; 112; 113; 114; 115; 116; 117; 118; 119; 120; 121; 122; 123; 124; 125; 126; 127; 128; 129; 130; 131; 132; 133; 134; 135; 136; 137; 138; 139; 140; 141; 142; 143; 144; 145; 146; 147; 148; 149; 150; 151; 152; 153; 154; 155; 156; 157; 158; 159; 160; 161; 162; 163; 164; 165; 166; 167; 168; 169; 170; 171; 172; 173; 174; 175; 176; 177; 178; 179; 180; 181; 182; 183; 184; 185; 186; 187; 188; 189; 190; 191; 192; 193; 194; 195; 196; 197; 198; 199; 200; 201; 202; 203; 204; 205; 206; 207; 208; 209; 210; 211; 212; 213; 214; 215; 216; 217; 218; 219; 220; 221; 222; 223; 224; 225; 226; 227; 228; 229; 230; 231; 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# REPUBLICANS HAVE BIG MAJORITY IN CONGRESS

Practically Complete Figures Give That Party 245 Against 141 Democrats—Gains Made in New York and Pennsylvania—Situation in the Senate

The Republican majority in the house of representatives in the next congress will pass the 100 mark. On the face of the figures the majority reaches 194, and as there is doubt with regard to some half-dozen districts among the 336 in the country, changes are likely to occur that will increase this lead. Democrats, 141, is the way the house shows up at this time. There may be a change in one of the Maryland districts. Senator Dick of Ohio claimed a solid Republican delegation from the Buckeye state, but on the face of the returns two Democrats have secured the electoral vote that overtook the party. It is very close, however, in the fifth district.

On the day after it was the middle West and the Mississippi Valley that furnished the surprises. It is certain that only two Democrats will be in the Illinois delegation, Hahn of the Twentieth and Martin D. Foster of the Twenty-first.

When the Democratic congressman from the Twenty-second Iowa, is defeated by Dawson, Republican, by a plurality of 213, insuring a solid Republican delegation from that state, Michigan is solidly Republican. In Kansas the Democratic strength has

MAKEUP OF NEXT CONGRESS.				
States.	Total.	Rep.	Dem.	Senators.
Alabama	9	7	2	2
Arkansas	7	5	2	2
California	8	8	0	2
Colorado	3	2	1	2
Connecticut	5	5	0	2
Delaware	3	3	0	2
Florida	3	3	0	2
Georgia	11	11	0	2
Idaho	25	23	2	2
Illinois	13	11	2	2
Indiana	11	11	0	2
Iowa	8	8	0	2
Kansas	11	11	0	2
Kentucky	11	11	0	2
Louisiana	7	4	3	2
Maine	6	3	3	2
Maryland	14	11	3	2
Massachusetts	12	12	0	2
Michigan	9	9	0	2
Minnesota	11	11	0	2
Mississippi	10	10	0	2
Missouri	16	16	0	2
Montana	5	5	0	2
Nebraska	2	2	0	2
Nevada	2	2	0	2
New Hampshire	10	9	1	2
New Jersey	10	9	1	2
New York	37	26	11	2
North Carolina	10	10	0	2
North Dakota	2	2	0	2
Ohio	21	20	1	2
Oregon	2	2	0	2
Pennsylvania	32	31	1	2
Rhode Island	2	2	0	2
South Carolina	7	7	0	2
South Dakota	2	2	0	2
Tennessee	10	10	0	2
Texas	16	16	0	2
Utah	2	2	0	2
Vermont	10	10	0	2
Virginia	3	3	0	2
Washington	5	5	0	2
West Virginia	5	5	0	2
Wisconsin	11	10	1	2
Wyoming	1	1	0	2
Total	386	245	141	58
Majority		104		

been cut from four to two. Nebraska sends a solid delegation. Hitchcock, Bryan's friend and former manager, having been defeated for re-election in the Omaha district. Wisconsin retains its complexion of ten Republicans and one Democrat.

But it was in Missouri that the havoc was greatest. The Republicans have one member in the present congress; in the fifty-first congress they will have six. Chairman Cowley of the Democratic congressional committee being among the ballot victors. The Republicans will contest the election of John T. Hunt in the eleventh district on the ground of fraud. If the contest succeeds, the Republicans will have nine of the sixteen congressmen from the state.

In the past the heaviest Republican gains were in New York and Pennsylvania. In New York the Democratic representation has been reduced from 17 to 11. Only one Democrat has been elected in Pennsylvania, as against four Democratic members at the present delegation. New Jersey will send a single Democrat, although there are three Democrats from there in the present house.

Republicans are claiming the election of their candidate in the eighth North Carolina district.

Congressman Babcock of Wisconsin, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, had a narrow escape. In a district normally Republican by from 10,000 to 12,000, his plurality is 232.

The Missouri legislature will be Republican on joint ballot, which means the retirement of United States Senator Cockrell and the election of a Republican.

The result followed the example of the mainland by returning Kulaenko, Republican, as a delegate in congress. Republican delegates were chosen in the territories of New Mexico and Oklahoma, while Smith, Democrat, was re-elected in Arizona.

**Finishing McKinley Monument.**—After eight months' work the bronze figure that is to be placed on top of the McKinley monument in Golden Gate park, San Francisco, has been cast. It is that of a draped woman, crowned with bay and olive branches, and holding in the other an extinguished torch and palm branches. The statue will be mounted on a square granite column, on the front of which will be a large marble medallion of William McKinley, and at the base, on the four sides, a seat. The shaft will be on a circular granite platform reached by steps surrounding the entire edifice.

**Museum in a Quandary.**—A meeting of all the sections of the Institute of France is to be held to decide whether the Conde Museum at Chantilly shall accept the hat worn by Napoleon at the battle of Waterloo, which has been loaned to it by the late celebrated artist Jerome. In all probability the bequest will be refused. It being thought that the Chantilly museum is not a proper

place for a relic of the man who was responsible for the execution of the Duc d'Enghien. The hat, the authenticity of which is undeniable, was bought by Jerome twenty years ago for \$5,400.

**Squirrels on a Migration.**—Thousands of squirrels have been immigrating to Indian Territory for the last two months. H. H. Green, of Tahlequah, says that their coming is due to a shortage of nuts in the north, and adds: "I contend they will winter along our water courses, basing my idea on the fact that the nut and acorn crop in this part of the Cherokee nation is very good, supplying good food ground. Many people who spend much time in the woods tell me that the little animals are more plentiful in this section than ever known before."—Kansas City Times.

**Loss From Floods.**—Foundations caused the loss in Germany last year of nearly \$11,000,000 worth of property, mostly crops.



Find the Fisherman.

## RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR NEWS

NOV. 7, 1904.  
**Ready to Attack—Mukden reports** Japs are about to commence an attack on Kuropatkin for possession of that city.

**Changes in Russian Army—St. Petersburg** announces sweeping army changes, and thinks Russians will avoid battle till spring.

**Demands Explanation—Germany** demands an explanation from Russia for Baltic fleet's firing on the steamer Sonntags.

**Seeks to Bind Russia—Great Britain** tries to bind Russia to accepting majority's ruling in the North sea inquiry.

**Abandon Forts—Russians** reported at Chiefof have abandoned all forts north and east of Port Arthur and have retreated to Liaoli.

**Another Port Arthur—Vladivostok** is described as having been so thoroughly fortified, provisioned and manned that it is like another Port Arthur.

NOV. 8, 1904.  
**Losses 1,300 Officers—Having lost** 1,300 officers in battle, Russia will send all her reserve officers to the front.

**Armies Rub Elbow—The Japanese** and Russian armies are said to be within a stone's throw of each other below Mukden.

**Look for Big Battle—From the** present outlook it is believed the biggest battle of the war will soon be fought south of the Shalke river.

**Dewey, May, Will be Invited** to send a representative as a member of the North sea inquiry board and Admiral Dewey may be selected.

**Japanese Wedge—Japanese** have forced a wedge into the center of the Port Arthur line of defense, according to reports from Dalny. They lost 1,100 dead in last assault.

**Japs Gain Ground—Japanese** soldiers fight their way to the glacis of the Sungshu forts before Port Arthur and hold their position in spite of Russian attacks. The lower parapet of Keekwan mountain fort also is in their possession.

**Nearing the End—A Paris** paper renews the rumor that Russians have abandoned Port Arthur and are making their last stand on Liaoli peninsula. Stoessel is said to have only a few thousand men left. A rumor prevails at St. Petersburg that the fortress can hold out only four days longer.

NOV. 9, 1904.  
**Ignore Stoessel—The Japanese** ignore Stoessel, ignoring Lieut. Gen. Stoessel, the commander of the Russian military forces there, have offered terms of surrender to the Russian soldiers. In the meanwhile the ceaseless activity of picks and spades continues. The Japanese are gradually advancing their trenches, which spell inexorable fate to the watching Russians.

**Deny Port Arthur Story—The** report that Gen. Stoessel has been compelled to leave the citadel of Port Arthur and that with 10,000 men he has taken refuge in the forts along Tiger's Tail, is denied in official circles. Pileous appeals arrive from the front asking for warm clothing and fuel.

**Tunneling the Hills—As the** Japanese are sufficiently near the summits of the hills to render tunnelling highly practicable, much of this work is now being done. The Russians are building counter tunnels. Which ever side finds its tunnel under the enemy's side explosives being rolled down into their trenches the Japanese have made ranges or hillocks of earth above the trenches.

**Sink Russian Ships—Five Russian** mine sweeping steamers have been sunk by Japanese shells.

**Jap Warship Is Sunk—It is** reported in British navy circles that a Japanese man-of-war has been sunk by a mine off Port Arthur.

**Prepare for Battle—Reports** from the Shalke river state that both armies are still strengthening their positions along the river and are otherwise busily preparing for another great battle.

NOV. 10, 1904.  
**Ask Red Cross Aid—Port Arthur** is declared to be full of wounded and

**ROBBERS ARE STILL AT LARGE**

**Spectacular Man Hunt in Wyoming** is without results.

**Kaycee, Wyo., dispatch:** The Cody bank robbers are still at large. Sheriff Kennedy of Johnson county, who has joined in the chase after the bandits, passed through here on his way to the Hole-in-the-Wall country. His party is made up of experienced plainsmen who are nearing the hiding places of the outlaws. A number of detectives, who have joined in the man hunt, passed through Casper.

**Without Results.**

**Woman Drinks Chloroform.**

**Death Ends Political Argument.**

**Maxwell, Ind., dispatch:** In a fight which grew out of a political argument here Charles Van Blairton struck Robert Frazier on the head with a heavy welling hammer, killing him.

**American Is Killed.**

**Havana cable:** A dispatch from Pinar del Rio states that J. T. Cleveland, an American, has been killed there by a policeman. No details have been received.

**Managers for President.**

**New York special:** Two honesses, two monkeys, two ostriches and a zebu, presented by King Menelik of Abyssinia to the president of the United States, arrived on the steamship Minneapolis from London.

**Candidate Kills Himself.**

**Guthrie, Okla., special:** A. P. Saunders, defeated Republican candidate for county commissioner and well-known Guthrie business man and property owner, committed suicide.

**Dies Laughing at Democrats.**

**Baltimore dispatch:** Henry Busch, colored, dropped dead while discussing the discomfiture of the Democrats. He began to laugh heartily and suddenly fell, death being due to apoplexy.

**Buy \$17,000 Meteorite.**

**Mount Sterling, Ky., special:** H. B. Kinsolving has purchased the Ewing meteorite for \$17,000, the meteorite which fell in Bates county and over which a lawsuit was held.

## CUBAN CONGRESS IS IN SESSION

President Palma's Annual Message Deals With the Needs of the Republic.

### ONE CASE OF YELLOW FEVER

Death Rate in the Havana District Is 21.20 Per Thousand Against 16.37 on the Island—Schools Show Good Progress.

Havana cablegram: The winter session of Congress opened Monday. There were less than half a dozen absentees in each house, and the proceedings were characterized by friendliness.

In his message, President Palma, after detailing the progress made in paying off the 50 per cent due to the veterans, the total amounting to \$23,000,000, asked congress to decide in what manner the remaining half should be raised or to suggest other mode of settlement, and suggested that the difficulty might be obviated by the creation of a debt bearing interest at 3 per cent per annum.

**Asks Sanitary Grant.**

President Palma called attention to Cuba's responsibility under the Platt amendment for proper sanitation throughout the island, and asked congress to appropriate sufficient money for that purpose and authorize definite executive control thereof.

**NOV. 11, 1904.**

**Japs Explode Mine—A mine** is exploded by a Japanese shell at Port Arthur and Slavs lose 700.

**Asks Armistice—Tokio** hears that Stoessel asks the Japs for an armistice.

**Defeat for Japs—The Russians** drive the Japs out of three villages before Mukden.

**May Consider Peace Proposal—Emperor** Nicholas, it is said, would treat for peace if the proposal would come from Japan direct.

**Spurns Intervention—A report** of the Japanese government in London, that for to end hostilities from Japan made through Great Britain, has been spurned by Russia.

**Repulse for Russians—The Russians** are reported to have attacked Oku before Mukden and to have been repulsed with heavy losses.

**France May Aid—Presentation** of an Anglo-French note to Russia and Japan with a view of mediation in the war under serious consideration, according to reports in Paris.

**Will Not Intervene—Plan** for the United States to intervene in the Russo-Japanese war, which is favored by Japan and Great Britain, will not be taken up by President Roosevelt owing to the hostile attitude of Russia.

**Fire in Port Arthur—Gen. Nogi** reports to Tokio that Japanese shells caused a conflagration in Port Arthur Nov. 6. A Russian magazine also exploded, causing great loss of life to the defenders.

**WANTS MONEY FOR LOST TEETH**

**Damage Suit Is Started as a Sequel** to a Buggy Ride.

**Mattoon, Ill., special:** Miss Minnie Wurster has filed a suit against George Spruck in the circuit court of Tazewell county in which she asks damages of \$10,000 for the loss of her teeth and other injuries. Plaintiff realties that Miss Wurster and Spruck were driving together one day last summer. A rain storm came up in order to reach a place of refuge Spruck attempted to urge the horse to face the rain. The animal refused and Spruck, in order to force him to proceed, got out of the buggy and kicked at the balking animal. The horse started, leaving its master standing by, and was thrown out of the buggy. In the accident she lost all her front teeth and also sustained bruises to different parts of her body.

**DROWN WHILE HUNTING IN BOAT**

**Two Men Overcome by Cold** Ice in Shallow Water.

**Detroit dispatch:** James H. Foote and Alfred Gaines, fishermen, and a third while duck hunting at the St. Clair flats and their bodies were recovered in the north channel in shallow water about 150 feet from shore. They, with Alexander Lemple, were in the shallow water when their boat began to leak and fill. They started to wade ashore, Lemple sticking out on a different course. All three were overcome by cold and exposure, but Lemple had reached the shore before he fell unconscious.

**Veteran Engineer Is Dead.**

**Dixon, Ill., special:** George Edward Smith, one of the oldest railway engineers in this country, is dead. When he was but 19 years old he was an engineer on the Boston & Lowell railway. He came to Illinois in 1856 and for thirty-five years was an engineer on the Wabash railway.

**BEQUESTS COACHMAN \$150,000**

**Will of Indianapolis Woman Will Be Contested by Relatives.**

**Indianapolis, Ind., special:** The will of Mrs. Elvora Chambers, daughter of Gen. T. A. Morris, has been received here from California, where she resided. It is said that she made her coachman, Harry Graves, her heir. The estate is valued at \$150,000. Graves came to the home of Mrs. Chambers a tramp and in rags, and she befriended him. Her brothers will contest the will.

**Three Men Are Killed.**

**Stenboville, Ohio, special:** Three workmen were killed in a buggy used to wrap a wire cable on the new Stenboville suspension bridge. The rope broke, hurling the men to death on the ground below.

**Overdue Steamer Arrives.**

**San Francisco dispatch:** The long overdue French bark Notre Dame d'Arvor arrived off San Francisco harbor from Newcastle, Australia, with a cargo of coal.

**Nurses Will Erect Monument.**

**St. Louis, Mo., special:** At the closing session of the Spanish-American war nurses it was decided to erect a \$1,000 monument in the Arlington National cemetery near Washington, D. C.

**To Signal Dawn of New Year**

**Precise Instant Will Be Flashed by the Naval Observatory.**

**Washington special:** The naval observatory will flash a telegraphic time signal at midnight and at 1, 2 and 3 o'clock a. m., on Jan. 1, seventy-fifth meridian time, to indicate the beginning of the new year to each of the great standard time belts of the United States. Last year these signals were heard in Alaska, at Panama, Valparaiso, Buenos Ayres, Honolulu, Guam and Manila.

**Rural Carriers Must Not Solicit.**

**Postmaster Sullivan** of Milwaukee has received an order from the post-office department at Washington stating that carrying advertising matter on house-to-house peddling advertisements for soliciting orders for catalogues, to be shipped to the carriers by freight and afterwards delivered by them. This is forbidden by the department and attention is called to the provision in a recent act of congress that rural carriers "shall not solicit or receive orders of any kind."

**Fear Foul Play.**

**Friends of Frederick Schiender,** formerly a resident of Canada, who has been found dead with a six weeks ago he disappeared and has not since been heard from.

**Ribs Broken in Runaway.**

**In a runaway** at the village of Union Grove Enterprise, had two ribs broken and a leg injured. The horse, a bay, was killed by the runaway.

**Section Hand Ends Life.**

**R. M. Folk** committed suicide by hanging at LaCrosse because he has lost his position as a section hand on one of the railroads.

**Y. W. C. A. Convention.**

**The state convention** of the Young Women's Christian association will be held in Racine from Nov. 18 to 20.

**Big Packer Is Ill.**

**Asheville, N. C., dispatch:** Patrick Cudany, president of the Cudany Packing company of Asheville, W. Va., seriously ill at Knifethorn Inn in this city.

## Wisconsin News

LAST OF LA CROSSE SAWMILLS

Disappearance of Growing Timber Destroys Old-Time Industry.

Within the twelve months La Crosse will lose almost the last vestige of the industry which for many years was the center of her strength and prosperity. The sawmill will be a thing of the past. Other great industries have taken its place in La Crosse.

La Crosse as a city began its existence as a sawmill town. The beginning of the vast industry which brought fortunes to its followers was simple. The first permanent mill was erected in 1854 by C. L. Colman, with a capacity for sawing from 12,000 to 14,000 shingles a day. For two years a single horse furnished the motive power.

Huge forests of valuable timber were found about the banks of the Mississippi, Chippewa, La Crosse and Black rivers. The situation of La Crosse offered natural advantages for carrying on the lumber industry, and many of the early pioneers were quick to see and improve their opportunity.

One after another mills were started, the first four coming into existence within a few years of each other. They were owned by C. L. Colman, N. B. Holway, John Paul, and E. S. Davidson.

Each prospective owner of an industry came upon the field he went into the woods and selected a piece of timber from which to make his cut. The Chippewa and Black rivers were the greatest attractions to the pioneers in this locality, and it was in these districts that the forest lands were cleared, and throughout the island 1637. The one case of yellow fever had been reported, and that had not originated in Cuba.

**Submits the Budget.**

President Palma submitted the budget of expenses for next year, amounting to \$10,000,000, of which he proposed to devote \$2,500,000 for the construction of new roads and bridges.

The special internal tax on import matches, etc., levied for the payment of the present loan, now yields \$3,350,000 annually, with a surplus of \$1,270,000 above the amount needed. If the export duty authorized to be placed on sugar and cigars were also enforced it would yield upward of \$500,000 more.

The number of schools, the message says, has reached 3,000, with 120,000 pupils, an increase for the year of 10,000 pupils.

The president urges the passage of the pending bill for the promotion of the immigration of white laborers.

**KEPT \$1,000 BILL IN HER HOSE**

**Remarkable Evidence Presented in New York Divorce Suit.**

**New York special:** That in a stock of autumn line she kept a \$1,000 bill of gold in the last of her wardrobe made in the proceedings for limited divorce brought in the supreme court by Florence Crosby Herrmann against her husband, George Herrmann. Herrmann is a well-known man about town, a member of several clubs, was formerly in the lumber business and has always been counted on as an early divorcee.

At an early hour Tuesday morning the Brown-Cortis Engine company's foundry, located at Corlies, was destroyed by fire, involving a loss of between \$20,000 and \$25,000. There was danger of the entire plant being consumed, on account of the town having no fire protection.

Assistance was sent from Racine and one fire steamer and ten firemen went out by special train, but did not work, the fire having burned itself out. All that saved the big machine shop from going was the absence of wind.

The fire caught in the core room of the foundry building, which was constructed of iron and steel, and cost \$50,000. The frame work is of steel, and is not much damaged. The company had a \$100,000 contract with the United States government and other contracts to the amount of \$50,000. Sixty-five men are thrown out of employment. The loss is covered by insurance. The shop will be rebuilt as soon as possible.

**THREATENED BOY ENDS LIFE**

**Lad, Aged Twelve, Hangs Himself to Escape a Whipping.**

**Joan Steussy, 12-year-old boy,** committed suicide by hanging himself with a chain in his father's barn, just west of Monroe. The boy came home from Sunday school later than usual, and when scolded, insisted that the school had not been dismissed until after the regular time. His father threatened him with a whipping if he found the boy was not telling the truth. He played with a companion until chore time, when he went to the barn, where he discovered his body hanging from the chain, his feet almost touching the floor.

**Cars Are Demolished.**

**The breaking apart** of a freight train which was used as a log boom, and caused a wreck in the yards of the Milwaukee road at Ripon. Two cars were demolished.

**Protects Dogs.**

**The Janesville Humane society** has started a movement to prevent property owners from putting out or allowing their dogs to suffer from freezing their feet.

**Shredder Accidents.**

**Charles Hammes** lost his left arm in a corn shredder near Summer, and, within three miles of the same farm, and about the same time, Harry Pirce lost his right hand in a shredder.

**Holiday for Rural Carriers.**

**Thanksgiving** will be a holiday for rural mail carriers throughout the country, but no reduction will be made in their wages on that account.

**Thrashing Engine Explodes.**

**William Zick** and Frank Pratt were seriously injured by the blowing up of a thrashing engine near Clinton.

**Boy Is Thrown From Horse.**

**George Hayen, aged 16 years,** was thrown from his horse at Janesville and severely injured.

**Indian Boy Is Wounded.**

**George Beas,** a 12-year-old Christian Indian, was shot in the back and fatally wounded by a hunter at Odanab.

**Wyoming Bandits Escape.**

**Thermopolis, Wyo., special:** Sheriff Fenton of Big Horn county and his posse have returned from a chase after Harvey Logan and his band of Cody bank robbers. He reports that Logan, by the boldest piece of daring, outwitted the officers and escaped.

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